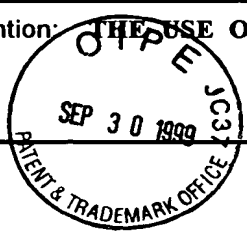

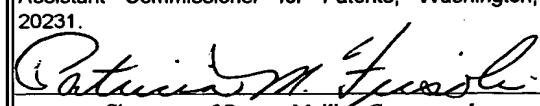


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>			Docket No. <b>21,583-B</b>		
Applicant(s): <b>William E. M. Jones et al.</b>					
Serial No. <b>09/022,336</b>	Filing Date <b>February 11, 1998</b>	Examiner <b>L. Weiner</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1745</b>		
Invention: <b>THE USE OF CATALYSTS IN STANDBY VALVE-RESULATED LEAD ACID CELLS</b>					
 <b><u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF 5/25/99

This is in response to the office action of May 25, 1999.  
Mailed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement.

Amendments

Please amend the claims as follows:

Withdraw claims 1-6 and 31.

Add the following new claims:

—32. (new) A device in accordance with claim 15 further comprising:

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